



August 26, 2004

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Office of the Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Ex Parte Submission

Re: *Ex Parte*: Performance Measurements and Standards for Interstate Special Access Services; Petition of U S West, Inc., for a Declaratory Ruling Preempting State Commission Proceedings to Regulate U S West's Provision of Federally Tariffed Interstate Services; Petition of Association for Local Telecommunications Services for Declaratory Ruling; Implementation of the Non-Accounting Safeguards of Sections 271 and 272 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended; 2000 Biennial Regulatory Review - Telecommunications Service Quality Reporting Requirements; AT&T Corp. Petition to Establish Performance Standards, Reporting Requirements, and Self-Executing Remedies Need to Ensure Compliance by ILECs with Their Statutory Obligations Regarding Special Access Services – CC Docket Nos. 01-321, 00-51, 98-147, 96-98, 98-141, 96-149, 00-229, and RM-10329.

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to Section 1.1206(b)(1) of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b)(1), please include in the record for the proceeding captioned above the attached white paper entitled "Competition in Access Markets: Reality or Illusion." The paper was prepared by Economics and Technology, Inc. on behalf of the Ad Hoc Telecommunications Users Committee.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Colleen Boothby'.

Colleen Boothby

Counsel for
Ad Hoc Telecommunications Users Committee

Attachment